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SUBJECT: SUBMARINES FOR CHILE

REF: (A) SANTIAGO 3053, (B) SANTIAGO 3155

1. YOU SHOULD INFORM THE CHILEAN NAVY THAT WE REGRET THERE
ARE NO SUBMARINES OF EITHER THE GUPPY I-A OR GUPPY II
CLASS AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER AT THIS TIME.

2. AMONG THE FACTORS WHICH INFLUENCED THE DECISION TO
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APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF TWO SUBMARINES TO PERU WERE THE

FOLLOWING:

(A) PERU'S ELIGIBILITY FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE WAS RECENTLY RE-ESTABLISHED, AND APPROVAL OF THIS TRANSFER PROVIDES A TANGIBLE DEMONSTRATION OF OUR IMPROVED RELATIONS;

(B) THE PERUVIAN NAVY, WHICH HAD REQUESTED THAT SUBMARINES BE MADE AVAILABLE, WAS WILLING TO ACCEPT DEACTIVATED GUPPY I-A CLASS VESSELS (AS OPPOSED TO "HOT SHIP" GUPPY II CLASS SUBMARINES DESIRED BY THE CHILEAN NAVY WHICH ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER);

(C) THE TRANSFER OF THE TWO SUBMARINES WAS AN APPROXIMATE BALANCE--AND THE BEST WHICH COULD BE MADE IN TERMS OF AVAILABLE ASSETS--FOR THE TWO DESTROYERS TRANSFERRED TO CHILE EARLIER THIS YEAR.

3. YOU MAY ASSURE THE CHILEAN NAVY THAT WE WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THEIR NEEDS WITHIN THE LIMITS IMPOSED BY THE AVAILABILITY OF SHIPS. SISCO

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